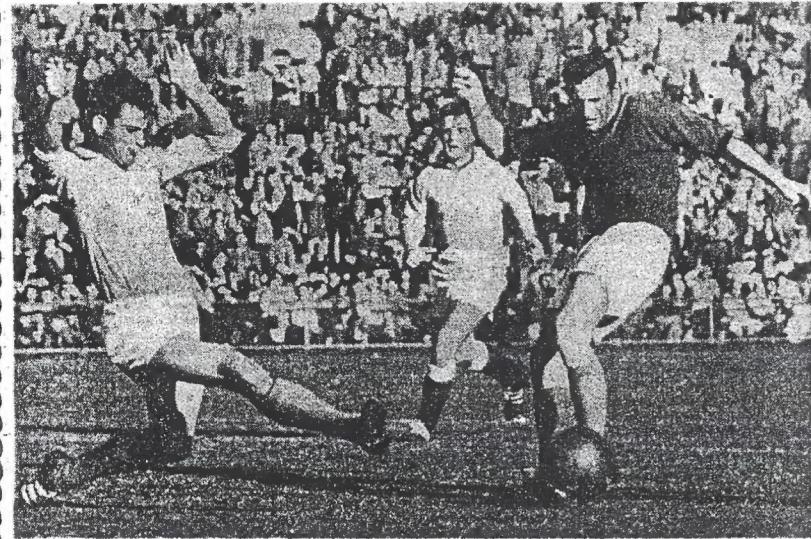


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• Flying J.U.S.I. right-winger Schumacher stops a sizzling shot from Wilhelmina's centre-half Brower (left) during the big game at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Wilhelmina left-half Vluegals is in the centre of the picture.

It was touch and go all the way and finished in a 2-2 draw.

Uwe Kuesner, the Soccer Weekly photographer, of 10 Dudley Parade, Canterbury, took this picture.

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★ Star West Australian Aussie Rules player Tom Marinko arrived from the west to play for St. Kilda but he couldn't get a clearance. He's now trying to get a game of soccer, and has already approached a club.

MELBOURNE MAY LOSE GROUND

Melbourne Soccer Club may lose their ground at MacDonald Reserve, Hawthorn, writes Fred Villiers.

Residents have written to the local council complaining about the number of cars parked in the streets during soccer matches at the ground.

They complain that soccer fans' cars block Faircroft Avenue, Parkin and Rex Streets and that it is an inconvenience to them.

The town clerk has written to Mr Vic Manson, Melbourne secretary, outlining the residents' complaints and has suggested a meeting should be held between the parties.

Mr Manson has arranged to meet the residents this evening (Thursday) and discuss the matter.

He told me yesterday: "In future we must insist on fans parking their cars in Toorak Rd.

"Our crowds are increasing every week. Four weeks ago when Polonia played us we had a 2000 gate.

"Unless something is done immediately we will lose our ground.

"I appeal to all soccer people who visit our ground not to park in Faircroft Ave,

Parkin Street, and

Rex Street," he added.

Mr Manson said his committee were making special "No Soccer Parking" street signs which would be displayed in the area during their next home game.

HUNTER JOINS GEELONG SIDE

Norman Hunter the Hakoah reserves outside-left, has been transferred to Geelong Scottish.

Norman has gone to live in Geelong.

This latest move will strengthen the already good relations that exist between the two clubs.

Jim Hucker, who has been a consistent performer at right-half for Hakoah this season, joined the club from Geelong Scottish.— Ian Davies.

Referee "books" entire team !

All eleven players of Trident Soccer Club will appear before the Federation's Disciplinary Tribunal tonight.

They were reported by referee E. Grinpukel during the Yallourn-Trident First Division South match at Yallourn.

He reported them for abusive language and ungentlemanly behavior.

Trident's home ground is in Station Road, Deer Park, and at present they are in the unfortunate position of being on the bottom of the League.

Mr Stuart Beaton, Federation Secretary-Manager, told Soccer Weekly yesterday that this was the first time an entire team had been reported in Victorian soccer.

Feast for goal - hungry soccer fans ?

SM - HELLAS SHOULD THRASH MORELAND IN THE PARK GAME NEXT SATURDAY

By a SOCCER WEEKLY reporter

Despite the distance separating the two clubs, points are valuable to both Moreland and South Melbourne-Hellas in next Saturday's main game at Olympic Park.

Hellas will have a great chance to stay at the top of the table and by improving their goal average could even regain the leadership.

Moreland's position is desperate. Even now, with the season not at the half-way stage, only a miracle can prevent them finishing in last place.

Everything points to what could be the most one-sided game ever at Olympic Park.

The odds on an upset of form here are enormous. Hellas have one of the classiest sides in Victorian soccer history. That slip from grace against Slavia last week pin-points the only two weaknesses in the line up.

Firstly, there is a tendency to be over confident against poor sides, and I wouldn't use this as a description of Slavia at full strength, but their injury ridden side of the moment seems content to muddle through and wait for better times.

Then there is the old problem that always arises when opponents score the first goal. Panic stations!

Instead of continuing to play the fluent brand of soccer we are used to, and wait for the goals to come, they indulge in the kick and rush style that they are neither equipped for nor capable of, and play right into the hands of the opposition.

In the hunt

There is no doubt that new coach Manly Pouliakas will be rapping a few knuckles this week and I can't see Hellas making the same mistake again. There are two points that can be taken here, points that can put Hellas right back in the hunt for the premiership.

What of Moreland? Poor old Moreland.

They have had some of

Victoria's best footballers over the past few years,

Teddy Smith, Angus Dren-

STATE LEAGUE COACH RESIGNS

Danish coach Bob Jorgensen, of Croat, has resigned after a difference in policy matters with the club committee.

This quiet spoken Dane has been with Preston-Croat for the past three years and has played an all-important part in them gaining State League status.

Bob, 32, married with two twin boys, has been in Australia for more than five years. In Denmark he played for B1909-Oudense at centre-forward and also against leading British and Continental club sides in international matches.

Bob is in business and is a manufacturer of neon signs.

—JIM COOK

WELL PLAYED, DANNY BOY!

The hero of Slavia's 3-2 win over S.M.-Hellas last Saturday was 17-year-old Danny McMinimee.

Danny, who recently arrived from Scotland, had played only one game for Slavia Reserves before last week.

A debut against Hellas

nian, Don Hodgson, Norm Hobson and Eddie Azzopardi. One by one they have been allowed to leave, the latest being Azzopardi, snatched up by George Cross.

The result can be seen in the club's record this season. The most that can be said for the side is that they are all tries but that just isn't good enough for top class soccer.

Recruited

Keulen, from Wilhelmina, has been recruited in an effort to stop the slide, but it will take a lot more good players to make Moreland into a State League side.

Everyone would like to see Moreland open their points account, but I can't see them doing it at the expense of Margarites, Kourkoulakas and Co.

This is a game that could even delight the Aussie Rules fans who bemoan soccer's so-called lack of goals!

Juventus move for Mackay and Jones

JUVENTUS F.C. of Turin have made application to the Italian Football League for permission to negotiate for Spurs' players Dave Mackay and Cliff Jones. The written application will be forwarded to the English League.

Said Juventus official Giampiero Boniperti: "We are more hopeful than confident, because we are afraid Spurs will not sell."

"We badly need Jones or Mackay, preferably both, if John Charles quits next month."

"Jones is our main target; there is a dearth of speedy wingers in Italy. But Mackay's energy and attacking game would be great asset. We are prepared to make strong bids. It may be a fortnight before there are any developments."



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FEDERATION PLAN £5000 CUP COMP.

The Australian Federation hope to begin an Australia-wide competition for clubs. It will be called the Australia Cup Competition, and a record £5000 prize-money is being offered.

Sixteen teams from Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland and South Australia will be invited to play.

Victoria's four top teams at the end of the State League games will be asked to play in the Cup.

Competition games will be played in November and December under the flood-lights.

The Australian Federation are making the record figure of £5000 available for the Cup games.

The winning team could collect as much as £3000. The team that wins the competition would be regarded as the champion club team in Australia.

With sixteen teams playing, the first round of eight games will be on a straight knockout basis.

When only eight teams remain, the clubs will play on a home and away goal average basis, similar to the European Cup.

Specifically designed to foster strong interstate

club competition the Australia Cup could prove a big attraction to soccer followers.

New South Wales (four teams), Adelaide (three), Brisbane (three) and the remaining two teams from Newcastle, make up the 16 sides.

Last season the new Federation set-up in NSW tried to get top Victorian teams to enter a similar style of competition, but due to the upsurge in Victorian soccer circles nothing could be organised in time.

All expenses for the interstate trips will come from gate money, even in South Australia and Queensland the crowds should number enough to cover expenses.

Profit the Federation

make to cover the £5000

prize-money is expected to

be made in Victoria and

New South Wales.

With the State League

leadership and top four so

closely contested, it's going

to be many months before

the final Victorian teams are

known.

COLLINGWOOD CONFIDENT

Collingwood SC are very confident for their future in the First Division North now that they have D. Mihovic as their new coach.

Already they have beaten Heidelberg, one of the leading teams in the division.

Captain and centre-forward of the team is P. Donahue, of Ireland, the

coach is a Yugoslav, and the

secretary is Russian and the team consists of Australian, German and Scottish players.

JUNIOR SECRETARY

The junior secretary, Mr. Don Joiner, can be contacted at Olympic Park on BM 6309, between noon and 1 p.m. on most week days.

CURTAIN FALLS ON THE WORLD CUP

World Cup games played under the title of Sunday International Competition have finished in Victorian soccer.

Last week at a meeting of the 16 sponsoring clubs it was unanimously agreed to comply with Australia-wide Federation wishes and dissolve the competition.

Starting in 1950, the games attracted more and more fans each year, jumping from 4000 in the first year to 75,000 last season.

Gate moneys have helped to keep many small sponsoring clubs virtually "alive" in the past 11 years.

Last season Craven 'A' also joined in to back the competition and supported it with £700 prize money to be split between the finalists and semi-finalists.

Presiding at the break-up meeting last

week Dr C. Walker (Polonia) said: "The competition proved more than a success. It far exceeded the expectations of the original organisers, and has helped to create interest in soccer".

Congratulating secretary Mr K. DeFriss (Hakoah) on his work for the past 11 years, Dr Walker said: "It's due to Mr DeFriss and chairman Mr John Oliphant (holidaying overseas) that the competition ran so smoothly and enjoyed so much popularity among the different nationalities".

Many supporters or club committee men may feel sorry to see the competition go, but in the interests of progress by the Federation it was inevitable.

HIS COUSIN IS PUSKAS

Mr Ray Purcell, a member of the Herald and Weekly Times staff, is a cousin to world-famous soccer player Ferenc Puskas, who plays inside-left for Real Madrid.

In the recent European Cup final between Benfica and Real Madrid, Puskas scored all three Real goals. Benfica won 5-3, after being down 2-3 at half-time.

Mr Purcell tells Soccer Weekly that in a letter his cousin asks about conditions in Australia in relation to soccer. Puskas' contract has been renewed for two more years, but after this he could be free to travel.

Try this!

Here is an opportunity for you to test your skill at forecasting results of the Victorian Soccer Federation games from next weekend.

For a Home Win put (1) in the space provided. For an Away win put (2), and for a Draw (X). Then on Saturday evening tune to "Soccer Half Hour" on 3KZ at 6.15 for the official results.

Space has been provided here for you to take them down as they are read at dictation speed in the following order:

STATE LEAGUE

Hakoah v Crear

George Cross v Lions

Stavia v Juventus

Moredon v S.M.-Hellas

J.U.S.T. v Melbourne

Wilhelmina v Polonia

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

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FIRST DIVISION NORTH

Box Hill v Scilla

Collingwood v Sunshine City

Florentina v University

(Postponed) University interstate carnival in Brisbane

Moonee Ponds v Heidelberg

Crocodile v Hobson

Alexander v Corio

FIRST DIVISION SOUTH

Austrie v Geelong

(Olympic Park, Sunday, May 27)

Brighton v Sandringham

Oakleigh v Richmond

Trident v Dandenong

Makedonia v Yallourn

Boyswater v Fernreeve Gully

SECOND DIVISION NORTH

Easton v Coluring

Norlane-Olympia v Fairfield

Liberton v I.C.L.

St. Albans v Commonwealth Banks

Williamstown v Seymour

W.W.F. v Bendigo

SECOND DIVISION SOUTH

Ringwood v Trilestline

FND v Kensington

Mooreabbie v Greydon

Frankston v Rosebud

South Yarra v Park Rangers

Prahran v Sunshine Heights

FIRST DIVISION NORTH RESERVES

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Azzurri v Ajax

Mooreabbie v Geelong Scottish

Brunswick v Springvale

South Yarra v Park Rangers

Prahran v Ballarat

Wedding Bells for full back

Wedding bells will ring for Melbourne right full-back Joe Szalay next Saturday.

He will marry Miss Magda Pasztor, the daughter of one of the club's supporters.

All the committee and

players will be at the wedding and Joe is expected to miss two games for the club he has represented for the past two seasons.

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THE WORLD OF SOCCER

IT SEEMS that soccer holds no place for "comedians." Vic Oliver, who recently watched the George Cross-Melbourne match at Olympic Park, is Vice-President of Brentford Football Club, who were relegated to the English 4th Division last season.

Another world famous comedian, Tommy Trinder, is chairman of Fulham Football Club, who only just escaped relegation to the English 2nd Division.

Feyenoord, who won the Dutch national premiership for the second successive year, are one of the world's best organised clubs. Each week they field no fewer than 49 teams, which means they have more than 500 players actively engaged with another 100 on the touch-lines.

Umberto Agnelli, the Fiat millionaire and president of the famous Juventus Soccer Club in Italy, may retire from the administration

side of the game next year. Reason — pressure of business. Agnelli, who has built and financed Juventus into a "world rating" side, is currently in with a bid of a cool £250,000 for Spur's players — Mackay and Jones.

BRITAIN'S top goal scorer in season 1961-62 was Liverpool and England inside-forward Roger Hunt. He netted 42 goals.

JOSE SANTAMARIA, the 32-year-old centre-half of Real Madrid, is a duo-international player. Jose, a Uruguayan, has played 42 times for his country and has also donned Spain's colors on 13 occasions.

ACCORDING to European sports writers, Czechoslovakia have the best chance of all the European countries of making the finals of the World Cup next month. If the Czech team can break even with Brazil they should beat Spain and Mexico.

In season 1952, Huddersfield Town played their 42 league games with the same defence each week.

One of the ever present defenders of the Yorkshire team was Len Quested, who now plays with the Auburn Soccer Club, in Sydney.

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By IAN DAVIES

Almost at the half-way stage, the State League is in its most thrilling and fascinating position for many seasons.

The top seven clubs are separated by a mere point. And as if it had been planned, the top six clubs are this week drawn against the bottom clubs.

Wins by Melbourne and Croat could level the teams even more, for the ladder would then show nine clubs with four points between them.

HAKOAH v CROAT

Hakoah disappointed their followers last week, en held to a draw by Croat, who proved worthy of inclusion in higher pany were narrowly beaten by improving sionia.

Both these teams play a similar type of game. Defences are tough, giving no quarter, with fast tearaway forwards. Hakoah have scored 17 goals whereas Croat have only seven to their credit.

Defensively, Hakoah should have no trouble, but their forwards, a little on the light side, may find the rugged, quick tackling Croat backs a big obstacle to pass.

Tall centre-half Adrie, and wing-halves Rau and Sal, have the ability to blot out the Hakoah inside trio of McQuillan, Haynes and Villers. This will leave Hakoah wing-halves, Hucker and Hartley with an additional attacking problem, while they could have their work cut out in holding clever Croat inside-forwards Sli- var and Luenic.

However, Hakoah, always a good proposition at Middle Park and spurred on by the memory of their woeful display last week, should win.

Croat must not be underrated however. They are enjoying a better first season in the State League than any other team has done for years, with the exception of SM-Hellas last term.

They could get a point, but whatever the result

GEORGE CROSS v LIONS

Although they suffered a setback last week, when beaten 2-1 by Juventus, George Cross should beat Lions on Saturday.

They haven't been the George Cross of old, but this is mainly due to circumstances beyond their control, and they still maintain their usual high position in the league.

On various occasions this season they have been without six of last year's stars. Hobson and Tony Zielinski broke his leg, and Hobson, Falzon and Abeia have all had injuries.

Despite this they have still managed to hold on to their reputation as one of Victoria's premier sides.

Now things are starting to look up. Eddie Azzopardi from Moreland has been brought in to replace Hobson in goal, and although last week's "first up" display was not very convincing there is no doubt his obvious class. Tony Vella, ex-Victorian skipper, has returned and will be a great asset when he finds his feet again.

Marshall Gibbs without showing any obvious class has been on the target at centre-forward, and has proved to be an able deputy for Horst Zielinski.

After last week's result George Cross should win by a street. With a side approaching their former strength the Cross will be flat out to regain that number one position on the ladder.

It's hard to write a side off but Lions have done nothing this season to show that they are in State League class. They rely on desperate defensive tactics, and although breakaways have given them two draws and a win, their contribution to top grade soccer has so far been negative.

They owe most of the success they have had to brilliant displays by

Vaught, the ex-Richmond goalkeeper, and rugged defensive work by red-headed centre-half March, also an ex-Richmond player.

If these two players are on form then as against Juventus and Hakoah, Lions could snatch a point, but it's George Cross for me, by three or four goals.

J.U.S.T. v MELBOURNE

J.U.S.T. occupy pride of place in the State League. As if this isn't enough they plan to introduce four new players in the match with Melbourne on Saturday. It seems that if there is a weakness in the side it is in the forward line where the goal scoring ability of Alex Beatie has been missed.

Three of the experienced newcomers are forwards. Rasic, centre-forward and Jagodic and Miladonovic inside-forwards.

Melbourne would appear to be in for a torrid time, but as we have seen before it usually takes some time for new players to settle. Indeed for a few weeks it could have an unsettling effect on the team as a whole.

There is certainly nothing wrong with J.U.S.T. in defence. Micic is a tower of strength at centre-half and Ladehof and Grego make up the defence that has conceded fewer goals than anyone in the State League.

Melbourne's recent displays have been full of promise. All during the summer travelling along the Beach Road one could see a lot of hard work going on at their practice ground at Elwood. This has paid off.

They may not be the strongest team in the league, but they play good soccer whatever the position of the game, and are a credit to the State League. One of these days they will get a couple of quick goals against a top side and to everyone's surprise will hand out the top thrashing for years.

Weinberg at inside-left has struck a good understanding with top scorer Fekete and J.U.S.T. will have to watch these two players. Scotsman Jimmy Garrett, a ball of energy, gives his forwards a continuous service at wing-half.

In defence Albers is a much-improved goalkeeper, while right-back Szalai is developing into one of the best fullbacks in the league.

J.U.S.T. must be favorites to win but Melbourne are capable of a surprise. Whatever the result this could be the best game of the week from a football sense.

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It was all Wilhelmina at

JUVENTUS WALTZED HOME AT THE PARK

Juventus regained lost prestige when tossing George Cross 2-1, and also helped themselves to two valuable league points at Olympic Park last Saturday.

Old rivals from way back, these teams always turn on a good game for the crowd, and this time Juventus easily won the honors.

Juventus played with more accuracy in both forward moves and defence. Winged Biro (right) and Bressan (left) were in every attack the Italians made, with Acunzo and Kenny.

A goal up in the first minute and Juventus never looked back. Biro drew Azzopardi from the George Cross goal then sidefooted to Bettari, who simply popped the ball into the unguarded net.

George Cross attacked solidly for 20 minutes with Lolly Vella trying hard to give centre-forward Gibb scoring chances.

Veteran Pepe Cubero finally brought George Cross back into the game after a terrific header by Falzon glanced off Cubero's head to strike Frangioni before rolling

RECORD FEE FOR DEL SOL

A world record transfer fee of 40 million pesetas (£300,000 Australian) was agreed to for the transfer of Spanish soccer player Luis Del Sol from Real Madrid to the Italian club Torino this week.

The 27-year-old Del Sol is also understood to have been guaranteed eight million pesetas (£60,000) for his three-year contract.

Del Sol, who joined Real Madrid in 1960 from Belis, of Seville, for six million pesetas (£45,000), already is one of the highest-paid footballers in the world.

He is believed to earn more than two million pesetas (£15,000) annually with Real Madrid.

The previous world record transfer deal involved another Spaniard, Luis Suarez, who, last May, moved from Barcelona to Internazionale of Milan in a £251,000 deal.

They have tons of confidence after their sensational win over Hellas last week. They have had their injury problems too. Star forwards Anstenberger and Cook are both suffering

from fractures and will be out for a few weeks yet.

Their defence is solid with Barolaj, who was one of the stars of last week's win, in good form in goal. Centre-half Berry is one of the most difficult men to pass in the league, and he is ably supported by veteran Alec Glennie at wing-half. Juventus need two points to keep them up with the leaders and Slavia could climb away from a position that does not do justice to the way that they have been playing this year.

Barbazzara's finishing can be deadly and Juventus fans will be hoping he can find his best form quickly.

In defence Patterson, Frangione and Buccos have been carrying the side in recent weeks and should be able to contain the depleted Slavia forward line.

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square on Biro's head and rocketed into the goal with the goalie well beaten.

George Cross tried hard again and a goalmouth scramble saw Gibb, Vella and Copeland miss again.

Late in the game, with Juventus almost cruising along, Vella lobbed 40-yarder that landed on the top netting with Beurth well out of position.

Willie, who holds a first-class coaching certificate, feels he could still be an asset to some club on the playing side for another couple of years.

Any club interested should contact McNaught direct. His address — 95 Kenmore Terrace, Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland.

WILLIE OR WON'T HE?

Willie McNaught, Scottish international full-back who has just been released from Raith Rovers, the Scottish First Division club, after 18 years, may come here.

Willie, now in the veteran stages — he's about 35 — has 11 league and full international caps for Scotland — had his last appearance for Scotland against English league in 1957.

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JIM COOK

JUVENTUS WILL FIND THIS ONE TOUGH

In Sunday's game at Olympic Park, Juventus will have a hard fight to beat Slavia, who last week beat glamor side South Melbourne-Hellas writes Ian Davies.

Neither side has been a model of consistency this season mainly because of the numerous injuries that have beset both clubs.

Juventus should be at full strength as a return by Frank Barbazzara is anticipated. This wire could be the answer to all the missed chances of recent weeks.

Before his injury several weeks ago the young Italian was beginning to take advantage of the accurate through passes laid on by inside-left Kenny, which can cut the best of defences wide open.

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In defence Patterson, Frangione and Buccos have been carrying the side in recent weeks and should be able to contain the depleted Slavia forward line.

This should be the closest match of the day and might be a good draw for the Pools spectator.

STATE LEAGUE GOALSCORERS

Fekete (Melbourne) 6, Villiers (Hakoah) 6, Gibb (Geo. Cross) 5, Hatzaleftheriou (South Melbourne-Hellas) 5, Margaritis (SM-Hellas) 4, Beerdonk (Wilhelmina) 4, Tsakakis (SM-Hellas) 4.

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PARK DRAW WAS A REAL THRILLER

Wilhelmina and J.U.S.T. turned on attractive, scientific soccer to draw 2-2 at Olympic Park last Sunday, writes Stan Stacey.

It was a good game for the crowd with plenty of action, narrow escapes and exciting goals.

Both teams played short and long passing style, keeping the ball moving and low along the ground.

Although the game sawed at various stages, both teams were content in the last 20 minutes to play out a draw.

J.U.S.T. were the first to score through Schumacher, who netted after good work by centre-forward Van de Poel.

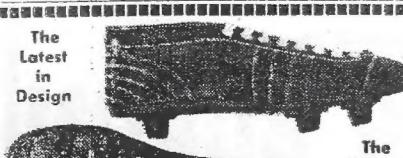
Wilhelmina stepped up pressure and after Erasmus had two goals disallowed for offside, Van de Linde belted in a good one to level before half-time.

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RICHMOND ARE WAY OUT IN FRONT

By "ONLOOKER"

Richmond, leaders of the First Division South, have opened up a handy lead in the promotion battle of three points.

Second Division leaders Kensington also have opened up a handy lead. Both these clubs are early favorites for promotion.

FIRST NORTH

Croatia and Box Hill are gradually moving ahead of the rest of the teams on the ladder, but in this even league few points separate six teams.

In last week's games there were no upsets, although Alexander improved to score two goals against the brilliant Croatian defence.

Alexander should return to the winning list with a victory against Corio. The Greek team should be strengthened by the inclusion of a new player this week, and although some supporters are disappointed with the team's performance in recent weeks they are not annoyed.

In the Moonee Ponds-Hidelberg game, I'm putting an upset with the Hungarian team beating the Bergs.

Box Hill and Sunshine City teams, which are both high up on the ladder, meet two teams near the relegation zone. These teams must be picked to defeat Sicilia and Collingwood respectively, and form

Gully and Yallourn convincingly beat Trident.

The Brighton-Sandringham game appears to be the match of the round, with chances slightly favoring the "Hammers." However, Brighton will miss the services of leading forward and star goal-getter Graham Pritchard.

Bayswater at home meet their nearest neighbors, Ferntree Gully, and the way the Gully boys are playing at the moment I find it difficult to pick them. However, Ferntree Gully are not as bad as is made out and one of these days they'll come good. When this happens they'll certainly be a force in this league again.

Makedonia, at home to Yallourn, will have to be at top form now that the visitors have tasted victory again. Yallourn will be out for more "heads," and the game against Makedonia will be tough.

Richmond and Dandenong meet Oakleigh and Trident respectively, and form favors both Richmond and Dandenong.

For a complete summary of this game at Olympic Park, see Olympic Park Round-up on this page.

SECOND NORTH

I.C.L.'s loss to N/Olympia has allowed Liberties to move into third position on the ladder.

The chemical boys will have another chance to redeem themselves against Liberties. A loss will put them out of the promotion hunt, so it points to this round. Liberties should prove too strong for I.C.L.

N/Olympia also need a victory against Fairfield to stay in the promotion battle, but Fairfield, who have won

their last two games easily, may prove too strong.

Coburg and Williamstown seem assured of victory, and they should help themselves to a bag of goals in the process.

Commonwealth Banks has a chance to gain further valuable points against St. Albans, and Bendigo has a chance to move away from the relegation zone by beating Bendigo.

SECOND SOUTH

Kensington have opened up a handy three-point lead over their nearest rivals, to Park Rangers' surprise loss against Frankston.

There are two important games in this round. They are the Ringwood-Triestina match and the South Yarra-Park Rangers game. Ringwood are level with Triestina on points, and the team that wins will gain an advantage in points over its rival. Ringwood should improve on last week's effort and defeat the Italian team.

South Yarra are improving and they could shake Park Rangers by taking a point off them.

In the other games, Kensington, Moorabbin, Frankston and Sunshine Heights should all win.

Olympic Park round-up

FIORENTINA 6, HEIDELBERG 4

Heidelberg, badly hit by injuries, did not appear to have much of a clue against the fast moving, defence-splitting Italian forwards.

Florentina started off at a great burst, and had two quick goals scored before Heidelberg realised that they were on the field.

Heidelberg fought back well for the next 20 minutes, but Florentina went further ahead.

With the score at half-time 5-1 in Florentina's favor, Heidelberg had to do something to redeem themselves.

They improved out of all sight in the second half, and did most of the attacking. Two penalties scored by Serace, and two other goals, tell the story of the play in this half as the Bergs scored four goals to their opponent's one.

Goal scorers: Florentina — Gow, 2, Cerni 2, T. Cappelletti and F. Cappelletti; Heidelberg (Serace 2, Coburn and Shahan).

Best players: Florentina — Gow, T. Cappelletti and Cerni; Heidelberg — Serace, Lamparter and F. Shahan.

At Olympic Park on Sunday, Austria meet Geelong.

If the position of the clubs on the ladder would pick the winning team then Austria should score many goals. However, Geelong have improved over recent weeks and they should be able to hold Austria.

Fitness will have a lot to do with this game as the large ground soon tires players.

This should be a battle of defences, with goalkeepers of both sides holding the answer as to whether their team will win.

Torrey, Geelong's goalkeeper, is playing well and Perkins, Austria's goalie, has saved his side on many occasions.

Whatever the score, both teams are worthy of putting on an excellent curtain-raiser to the main game at Olympic Park on Sunday.

SANDY'S DANCE - A SELL OUT

More than 120 dancers packed Sandringham Memorial Hall for an enjoyable night last Saturday and really kicked Sandy's social program off with a swing.

Mario Bartolo was the happiest man in Melbourne when club officials had to search for more chairs at 9 p.m.

J.U.S.T. APPOINTMENT

J.U.S.T. have appointed former secretary John Ivanovic as team manager to the club. John has been a very popular and hard working member of the club for a long time and his appointment will be appreciated by J.U.S.T. supporters.

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BAYSWATER-MAKEDONIA

The first half was even, Bayswater scoring after 30 minutes when Mike Taylor received a pass from Ashard. Makedonia had previously scored in the 25th minute through Bokas.

Both sides scored one in the second half, but Makedonia had more of the play and only good keeping by Imberger prevented Makedonia winning.

Goal-scorers: Bayswater (2) — Taylor, Preston. Makedonia (2) — Bokas and Imberger. UNIVERSITY-COLLINGWOOD

University right-winger Peter Williams scored a hat-trick of goals for his team. Peter scored after 30 minutes when he capitalised on a defence mix-up and again at 50 minutes when he dribbled the ball through the defence. Just before this goal, Collingwood converted a penalty. Williams scored another opportunity later.

Best: University — Cortis, Williams, Bown.

RICHMOND-BRIGHTON

Brighton scored in the first 10 minutes when Arthur Macartney, of Brighton, deflected the ball into the net. For the re-

mainder of the game both sides attacked consistently, but Richmond held on long enough for a win.

Best Players: Brighton — Oldfield and Hunt, Richmond — Neickel and Eromann.

Technical School Soccer

SECTION 1

	W	L	D	B	P
Aspendale	2	1	1	4	4
Frankston	1	1	1	2	2
Brighton	1	1	1	3	2
Collingwood	1	1	1	2	2
Moorabbin	1	1	1	1	1
Oakleigh	1	1	1	1	1
Sandringham	1	1	1	1	1
Dandenong	2	1	1	0	1

SECTION 2

	W	L	D	B	P
Canfield	2	1	1	4	4
Boro Hill	1	1	1	2	2
Blackburn	1	1	1	2	2
Berwood	1	1	1	1	1
Jordanville	1	1	1	1	1

SECTION 3

	W	L	D	B	P
Preston	2	1	1	4	4
Watsonia	1	1	1	2	2
Coburg	1	1	1	1	1
Heidelberg	2	1	1	0	1

SECTION 4

	W	L	D	B	P
Footscray	1	1	1	1	1
Collingwood	1	1	1	1	1
Carlton	1	1	1	1	1
Brunswick	1	1	1	1	1
Sth Melbourne	1	1	1	1	1
Fawkner	1	1	1	1	1
Richmond	1	1	1	1	1
Princes	1	1	1	1	1

SECTION 5

	W	L	D	B	P
Sth Melbourne Nth	2	1	1	4	4
Tottenham	1	1	1	1	1
Sunshine	1	1	1	1	1
Altona Nth	1	1	1	1	1
Niddrie	1	1	1	1	1
Essendon	2	1	1	2	0
Williamstown	2	1	1	2	0



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SOCER MAN'S DIARY 27

By DON SUTHERLAND

SOME WEEKS ago the Junior Management Committee adopted a 14-point proposal for consideration by the full council of the Victorian Soccer Federation, and, as previously reported, this proposal was recently given full consideration by council.

The development of school soccer is one of the most important, and yet probably the most difficult task currently facing soccer authorities. It has been resolved to ask Mr Jim Paul to accept the position of liaison officer on school soccer, and, with his previous experience, Mr Paul could give considerable assistance.

HOWEVER, experience in N.S.W. has shown that even wide popularity of soccer at the schoolboy level does not necessarily lead to the development of top-class soccer players. Soccer is now one of the most popular sports in N.S.W. schools and a tremendous number of junior soccer clubs exists. For example, the Protestant Churches' Soccer Football Association, which is just a part of the vast junior soccer body, alone has more than 400 teams and 5000 players from under-10 grades upwards. The number of soccer teams in the Sydney Combined High Schools' competitions has risen to the staggering total of 330 teams and soccer is second only to cricket (400 teams) in team-game popularity.

The problem centres around maintaining the interest in soccer by these boys when they leave school, and, since so many clubs now favor playing overseas "importations", their future in senior soccer is obscure. One suggestion which merits serious consideration by the Australian Soccer Federation, through their member States, is to pass legislation forcing clubs to play a certain number of Australian-born players in all their teams, and a minimum of three has been suggested. This would certainly mean that clubs which now give half-hearted support to juniors would soon be making real effort to uncover and develop junior talent.

There is no doubt that the talent is there, but many clubs prefer to play overseas-trained players rather than go to the trouble of searching for and developing the local juniors. If we are to expect Australian-born boys to take up soccer we must first ensure that they will be given the opportunity and encouragement to fully develop their abilities.

ONE of the major problems in Australian soccer is the multiplicity of individual clubs. Experience overseas has shown that most successful clubs field a number of teams of varying "grades" and the first team thus represents the cream of a pool of at least 70 or 80 regular playing members. In Victoria no

club officially fields more than two senior teams and yet a simple amalgamation of clubs playing in the same districts could lead to a very much stronger team than each club can currently field.

Obviously, clubs cannot be forced to amalgamate, but if various clubs could do this voluntarily, they could vastly improve their standards, facilities and spectator following. Equally obviously, the Federation would have to make provision for clubs to run teams in three or four grades so that, whilst the number of clubs could be decreased, the number of actual players could be maintained or even increased.

NEWS from the Hakoah club reveals a number of organisational changes which will be of interest to all soccer fans. Dr Henry Baytch, popular St Kilda "medico", who is also the official medical officer to the Victorian Soccer Federation, has been appointed president of the Hakoah Sports Club in place of Mr E. Zola, who has retired, and our congratulations go to Dr Baytch on his election to this important post. Mr Norman Simon has been elected as the new chairman of the Hakoah Soccer Club.

Incidentally, it is interesting to note that Mr Charles Hay, who is currently assisting Mr P. J. O'Connor as a member of the Disciplinary Committee, was a member of the Disciplinary Committee of the Australian Soccer Association in Victoria 25 years ago. Mr Hay's great knowledge of the game must be a real asset to Mr O'Connor in his capacity of chairman of the Disciplinary Committee.

Hakoah are currently in the process of clearing Norman Hunter to the Geelong Scottish Soccer Club and report a new signing in Len Werbik, who has arrived from the U.K. Hakoah are very pleased with the playing performances of their captain, Terry Hartley, and Australian-born goalkeeper Del Manner, both of whom are having their best season ever. Don Barker is showing improved form and has lifted the performance of Hakoah Reserves.

MR P. DEMOS, of South Melbourne-Hellas, has been appointed to the Federation Council by his club in place of Mr Jim Demetrie, who has gone overseas for several months. On his first night at Council Mr Demos was appointed to the State Selection Committee, where he will sit with Mr Lou De Bono, of George Cross, and Mr Bill Curran (chairman), who is the Referees' Association representative on council.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: If there is anything harder than being a referee it is probably to be a member of a club's selection committee. Like a referee, a selector rarely pleases everyone and, unfortunately, often gains much more criticism than appreciation.

GREAT TEAMS OF VICTORIAN SOCCER

Sitting in a lowly position in the Metropolitan League Second Division is once mighty Prahran City, the oldest club in Victoria.

Relegated from the First Division in the days before the State League, Prahran has descended gently into the outer darkness of junior soccer.

In their days of greatness Prahran won the Dockerty Cup many times, also were League champions on several occasions, truly a power to be reckoned with.

Unfortunately, the advent of war, their subsequent relegation to the Second Division, increased

ed migration from European countries sponsoring their own national clubs and big time Victorian Soccer have contributed to Prahran's demise.

However, it must bring a feeling of nostalgia and regret to many loyal followers of the game to think that the black and white colors of Prahran City Soccer Club, founded in 1908, have little chance of ever being seen again in big league soccer.

Brian Pearson

What has well-known referee Mr Bartolli done?

At a time when the refereeing standard in Victoria has been under fire more than ever before, Bartolli has for two weeks in succession run the line in State League matches.

Mr Bartolli is considered by many good judges to be one of the best whistlers in the State.

We all know that the Referees' Association has to keep its officials happy by giving everyone "a go". Obviously, clubs cannot be forced to amalgamate, but if various clubs could do this voluntarily, they could vastly improve their standards, facilities and spectator following. Equally obviously, the Federation would have to make provision for clubs to run teams in three or four grades so that, whilst the number of clubs could be decreased, the number of actual players could be maintained or even increased.

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Juventus has seven B's in its senior side—Beuricht, Bokkos, Bari, Bortoli, Barbaza, Bressan and Biro. Three of them turned the tide at 73 minutes last Saturday when they "made" and "finished" the winning goal—Bortoli to Bressan to Biro.

Slavia's veteran, Karl Engelbogen, played out 75 minutes of last Saturday's game against Hellas with torn knee ligaments. Slavia's list of senior "cripples" is now four—Cook, Gross, Angstenberger and Engelbogen.

Giorgio Frangione and Fred Falzon shared the honors as "best players on the field" in last Saturday's Juventus—George Cross clash.

Reimers, who appeared at left-back for Hakoah last season, has been transferred to Azzurri (Perth).

Many happy returns to Federation Secy.

During the 25 minutes that Juventus was under steady attack following the interval last Saturday, the Zebras' goalie, Martin Beuricht, was guilty of several mistakes and fumbles. George Cross should have won the match during this hectic interlude, but Frangione, Bokkos, and Patterson were on the spot to prevent any serious damage.

Hats off to Melbourne inside-right Charlie Fekete! He's scored NINE goals in EIGHT games for his side. Good going, Charlie. Moreland could do with a few boys like you!

Nice debut the Metropolitan clubs Heidelberg and Fiorentina made at Olympic Park on Sunday. Ten goals between them! That's value for money, and another four in the State League match between J.U.S.T. and Wilhelmina which followed.

After seeing Marshall Gibb blotted out in successive weeks by Hellas and Juventus pivots Basil Kourkou

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What happened Mr Bartolli?

tary-Manager Stan Beaton. He was 41 Friday.

Every Sunday morning between 9 o'clock and noon phone 52-38 Stan Stacey will be this number to receive any news about players, injuries and social notes. Remember to call up to noon Sunday only.



Meet Cecil the Sharpshooter

One of Coburg's new players this year is Cecil Early. Cecil plays at inside-right and has proved one of the most elusive and dangerous players in any forward line in Metropolitan soccer.

He is leading goal scorer for Coburg with 24 goals. This must surely be the best for any player in any Metropolitan club.

Can any club produce a player to beat this?

lakis and Gio Frangione, one can only come to the reluctant conclusion that he would be more creative in a position other than centre-forward.

Kambouropoulos, the star forward from champion Greek club Olympiakos, may not play for SM-Hellas.

He regained his place in the first team over Easter and his journey to Melbourne might be delayed.

A ladies' basketball team for Park Rangers will challenge any other ladies' basketball team in a month's time. The team was formed last week and they're looking for games. Interested persons should contact M. J. Stephen (86-9186).

A well-supported Park Rangers' social in aid of injured car-accident victim Alec Birmingham took place in the clubrooms Middle Park, on Sunday. Alec is recovering in Royal Melbourne Hospital.

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JUNIOR SOCCER

STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
J.U.S.T.	8	5	1	2	13	6	11
S.M.-Hellas	8	5	0	3	21	10	10
George Cross	8	4	2	2	18	9	10
Hakoah	8	4	2	2	17	10	10
Juventus	8	4	2	2	13	8	10
Wilhelmina	7	4	2	1	13	8	10
Polonia	8	4	1	3	11	9	9
Croat	8	3	1	4	7	11	7
Melbourne	8	3	1	4	14	16	7
Slovia	7	2	2	3	10	11	6
Lions	8	1	2	5	6	19	4
Moreland	8	0	0	8	3	29	0

Here are your Olympic Park games

All games start 2.45 p.m.
 Saturday, May 26: Moreland v S.M.-Hellas.
 Sunday, May 27: Slovia v Juventus.
 Saturday, June 2: Hakoah v Wilhelmina.
 Sunday, June 3: Slovia v Wilhelmina (replay of April 21 game), Moreland v Lions.
 Saturday, June 9: Polonia v Hakoah.
 Sunday, June 10: Croat v George Cross.

University v Moonee Ponds.

Saturday, June 16: Rugby Interstate Game.

Sunday, June 17: Wilhelmina v Hakoah,

Makedonia v Richmond.

Saturday, June 23: George Cross v Hakoah.

Sunday, June 24: Slovia v Polonia, Collingwood v Box Hill.

For details how to get to the games see page 6.

by Albert Merrill

This week saw the best round of the Junior Cup with no unexpected results. Only two games were drawn, all other teams going into the second round on June 23. The two drawn games will be replayed on June 2.

There are now over 2500 junior soccer players registered with 41 clubs in Melbourne. Only two State League clubs are new without junior teams and one of these is now trying to get a team.

This is most encouraging to the Junior Management Committee and the Seniors Federation Council are also pleased with the work being done and are willing to support Junior Soccer wherever possible.

Frankston Soccer Club believe they have the strongest with five junior teams in competition, two under-16, one under-14 and two under-12; the future of Frankston would appear to be sound.

However, lacking financial backing from the local business, at this stage, the future depends on the handful of enthusiastic committee, which is, unfortunately, not enough.

Main interest centres on the 16-A and 12-A teams, who are both challenging their respective divisions.

In the Under-14 Leagues, Sunshine City scored a resounding win over Noble Park Tech School 21-0.

Scorers: D. Wright 7, M. Tyers 4, J. Fenech 7, M. Fenech, S. Nowak, E. Bradie 2 each, G. Sabo and T. Czernecki 1 each.

Best for City: J. Fenech and S. Nowak. For Noble Park, R. Wade.

OFFICIAL NOTES

No clubs are permitted to play friendly matches against Mr. Kelly's team.

The Junior Disciplinary Committee fined Bakoah £1 for failure to mark ground out properly and provide corner flags. Take warning.

Under-18 Box Hill High School now play at Box Hill High Grammar School ground, Station St, St. Bx Hill.

Lions Melbourne — now playing on new ground just past the Williamstown Hostel.

Under-16 Zone B — Lions Melb. "A" now play at Broadmeadows Hostel ground, Camp Rd, Broadmeadows. Take Coburg tram from Elizabeth St to terminus, then bus to Camp Rd.

Several Melbourne junior clubs are interested in weekend trips to the country. Any club or country association interested, please contact junior secretary, Don Joiner.

Club secretaries: If you are interested in publicising for your club, write details of games or any special activities to Albert Merrill, 132 Ruskin Street, Elwood.

JUNIOR RESULTS

All results must be phoned to BM 5309 between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Any club failing to phone in by 4 p.m. will automatically be fined.

VSF MEDALS

The Victorian Soccer Federation have decided that they will award three medals this season to junior players in any age group.

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STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
S.M.-Hellas	7	7	0	0	30	6	14
Melbourne	8	6	1	1	23	17	12
Wilhelmina	7	6	0	1	36	10	12
J.U.S.T.	8	6	0	2	23	15	12
Hakoah	8	5	0	3	26	12	10
Slovia	8	3	2	3	14	14	8
George Cross	8	4	0	4	22	38	8
Juventus	8	4	0	4	22	38	8
Polonia	8	2	1	5	11	19	5
Croat	8	2	0	6	16	33	4
Moreland	8	0	0	6	15	25	2
Lions	8	0	0	8	41	0	0

FIRST NORTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Croatia	8	8	0	0	28	4	16
Box Hill	8	6	1	1	16	6	13
Fiorentina	8	5	0	3	19	12	10
Heidelberg	8	4	1	3	17	12	9
Sunshine City	8	4	1	3	15	13	9
Moonee Ponds	8	3	2	3	6	14	8
Alexander	7	3	1	3	17	10	7
University	8	2	2	4	9	16	6
Slovia	8	2	2	4	14	19	6
Polonia	8	1	3	1	5	11	5
Maccabi	8	1	3	4	8	12	5
Croat	8	1	2	5	9	15	4
Corio	8	1	2	4	6	17	4
Sicilia	7	1	2	4	6	17	4
Collingwood	8	1	1	6	9	28	3

FIRST SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Richmond	8	6	2	0	27	6	14
Austria	8	5	1	2	20	11	10
Sunderland	8	5	1	2	14	10	11
Dandenong	8	4	2	2	21	15	8
Brighton	8	3	2	3	14	14	8
Fernree Gully	8	4	0	4	18	20	7
Oakleigh	8	3	1	4	19	14	7
Boyswater	8	2	3	3	15	13	7
Yallourn	8	3	1	4	19	23	7
Makedonia	8	2	2	4	12	17	6
Seymour	8	2	0	6	9	28	3
Trident	8	1	1	6	10	25	3

SECOND NORTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Coburg	8	8	0	0	63	3	16
Williamstown	8	6	1	1	45	14	13
Liberties	7	5	2	0	29	6	12
Norfone-Olympia	8	5	1	2	38	15	12
I.C.L.	8	5	1	2	26	22	11
Fairfield	8	5	0	3	28	13	10
St. Albans	8	3	1	4	19	27	7
Essendon	8	3	0	5	20	30	3
Bendigo	7	2	1	4	9	14	5
Commonwealth Banks	8	1	0	7	8	40	2
Seymour	8	0	0	8	3	38	0
W.W.F.	8	0	0	8	6	72	0

SECOND SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Kensington	8	7	0	1	20	6	14
Tristina	8	5	1	2	15	4	11
Ringwood	8	5	1	2	28	8	11
Park Rangers	8	5	1	2	26	15	11
Frankston	7	4	1	3	24	17	9
F.N.D.	8	4	1	3	27	23	9
South Yarra	8	4	0	4	12	14	8
Melbourne	8	2	0	6	12	18	4
Norfone	8	2	0	6	11	21	4
Sunshine Heights	8	1	0	7	2	19	2
Croat	7	0	1	6	30	1	1

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Box Hill	8	7	1	0	49	3	15
Moonee Ponds	8	7	0	1	23	12	14
Croatia	8	5	2	1	31	8	12
Heidelberg	8	6	0	2	21	13	12
Alexander	8	5	1	2	25	9	11
J.U.S.T.	8	4	1	3	12	10	9
S.M.-Hellas	8	4	0	4	7	14	8
University	8	3	1	4	13	19	7
Wilhelmina	8	2	1	5	14	15	5
Maccabi	8	1	0	7	2	26	2
Fiorentina	8	1	0	7	26	2	0

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Sunderland	8	5	0	3	18	5	13
Makedonia	8	6	1	1	29	13	13
Dandenong	8	5	2	1	23	6	12
Brighton	8	5	0	3	29	10	10
Fernree Gully	8	4	1	3	25	14	8
Olympia	8	4	0	4	28	13	8
Aspendale	8	3	1	5	11	20	11
St. Albans	8	3	0	5	10	23	11
Frankston	8	2	1	6	11	21	6
Box Hill	8	2	0	6	11	20	5
Yallourn	8	1	0	7	2	16	1
Moonee Ponds	8	1	0	7	2	16	1
St. Albans	8	0	0	8	2	14	1
Frankston	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Box Hill	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Yallourn	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Moonee Ponds	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
St. Albans	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Frankston	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Box Hill	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Yallourn	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Moonee Ponds	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
St. Albans	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Frankston	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Box Hill	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Yallourn	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Moonee Ponds	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
St. Albans	8	1	0	7	2	14	1
Frankston	8	1					

WEEKENDS DURING

EXTRA TIME

TRIALS OFF

The Junior Committee last night cancelled next Sunday's under-15 trials because of ground problems.

NEW GROUND

Collingwood Eagles' new home ground is No. 13 Yarra Park, corner of Punt Road and Swan St. They play Sunshine City there on Saturday.

PRESS PHONE

A five-line telephone system (57-6714) for Press and Broadcasting will be installed at W.H. Helm's Jubilee Park, Ringwood ground, tomorrow.

GTV9 NEW LOOK

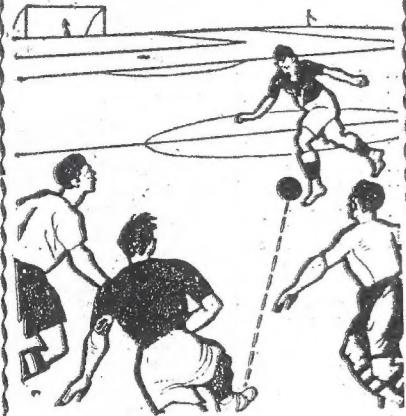
Last yesterday, GTV9 decided to give Alan Barr's soccer segment in Tony Charlton's show a new look. Sunday from noon to 2 p.m.

'We'll win,' say

Queensland

Bill Maccombe, secretary of the Queensland Soccer Federation, in a telephone conversation with Brisbane's *Advertiser* Weekly editor Fred Villiers, last night said Queensland were confident of beating Victoria in Melbourne next month. "We must win to stay in the National Championship races."

IS HE OFFSIDE?



In any sport a thorough knowledge of the rules helps the spectator, and player, to appreciate the finer points of the game.

The soccer offside law is one which probably confuses the spectators more than any other.

Today Soccer Weekly starts a 14-week series designed to clarify what must sometimes result in heated arguments over a decision made by a referee. ... No doubt, the pace at which moves are made can frequently bewilder the spectators, but most of the controversy arises from a faulty knowledge of when a player is offside or onside.

Perhaps this illustrated series will help to improve the football fan's understanding of the soccer offside law or re-affirm what he already knows.

Here is the first of our series:

An attacking player receives the ball from one of his own side. There is no opposing player between him and the goal line but he is in his own half of the field. Is he offside?

ANSWER: No. A player cannot be offside in his own half of the field.

KNOW YOUR SOCCER

The first in a series of six articles on the "laws of the game" explained in match style by Jim Cook.

WAS SMITH'S GOAL OFFSIDE?

There is a lull in the excitement as Johnson the United goalkeeper, places the ball for a goal kick. His two backs run well up the field, anxious to be in the middle when he takes the kick.

But Smith, City's centre-forward, stays about midway in the United half, well behind the defence. He's clearly in an offside position.

The defence think nothing of it, knowing as they do that the ball will fly over Smith's head.

Johnson takes his kick, but flights it a little low! Suddenly Smith the centre-forward, springs up and manages to get his head to the ball.

The crowd are yelling for offside... but Smith races through, dribbles round Johnson the goalkeeper, and stashes the ball into the net.

The crowd are still yelling for offside... everybody is waiting for the referee to award a free kick.

What should the referee do? Award a goal or a free kick?

ANSWER

Most definitely a goal. A player can't be offside from goal kick, just as he can't be offside from a throw-in. Law 11 says:

"A player is offside if he is nearer his opponents' goal-line than the ball at the moment the ball is played unless he receives the ball direct from a goal-kick, a corner-kick, a throw-in or when it was dropped by the referee."

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE 4 TOP PLAYERS? — Only £4250

Have you got £4250 to spare? If you have, you can buy some top soccer talent from Scotland, writes Fred Villiers.

Melbourne secretary Vic Manson tells me he has the names of FOUR first-class Scottish players who want to come to Melbourne, BUT before they come there's a BIG price on their heads.

Vic told me "Melbourne SC are not interested."

But he says if any other Victorian or interstate club would like these players they can contact him.

His phone number is LA-5507.

Here are the four players on offer:

• H. Baird, centre-forward for Aberdeen, Scottish Division 1. Price £2000.

• N. Clinton, half-back for Raith Rovers, Scottish Division 1. Price £1500.

• N. Innes, inside-forward for Falkirk, Scottish Division 1. Price £750.

• W. Sinclair, outside-right for Stirling Albion, Scottish Division 1. Price £700.

Conditions are a lump sum, and clubs must guarantee the players a job and pay their fares.

THREE VIP's FOR HELLAS

Hellas had three important guests last week. The Greek Ambassador to Australia, His Excellency Mr. P. Annino-Cavalierato, flew down from Canberra to watch the game, and with him were the Consul, Mr. Scourulakos, and the Deputy Consul, Mr. Economo.

Before the match, the Ambassador presented a ceramic plate to the visitors.

This plate had an imprint of the Parthenon of Ancient Greece and was brought to Australia.

After the game he presented the winning team (Slavia), with a large tankard with a pottery base which came from Greece.

Sandringham City has gained much support from former leading players, especially Norm Stansfield, who has been made a club patron. Joe Lachman has been training hard and has given strong support to players.

Sandringham City will soon introduce their 1962 club tie and club badge, which will feature the Hammers' motif. The committee also is financing a new set of club shirts by weekly contributions and top goalscorer Bobby Betts has given £10 to kick off this fund, while Bill Campbell's weekly works special has produced a new set of club socks.

FOCUS ON OPINION

Mr. ANDY KUN, Vice-President Melbourne Soccer Club, speaking on "Soccer Half Hour" 3KZ last Saturday evening:

"If we continue to progress as we have been doing over the past two years, an Australian soccer team should be playing overseas in less than 10 years from now. And, let's face it, anything that this country does in sport it does well. In cricket, golf, tennis, swimming and motor racing they are champions — so why not soccer?"

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J. BAYUTTI, NSW team manager:

"I consider the NSW team the nucleus of a national side if Australia's suspension from FIFA is lifted."

BAROTAJS

(Slavia 5 pts)

FALZON

(George Cross 6 pts)

DUOON

(Polonia 6 pts)

MICIC

(J.U.S.T. 6 pts)

GLENNIE

(Slavia 5 pts)

MARGARITES

(Hellas 5 pts)

FEKETE

(Melbourne 5 pts)

VELLA

(Geo. Cross 4 pts)

JURECKI

(Polonia 5 pts)

THOMAS

(Hakoah 3 pts)

Other players who have scored points:

Berry, Hacz (Slavia), Burns (Moreland), Marth, Voigt (Lions), Rodek, Rice, Jankovic (J.U.S.T.), Kenny, Frangioni, Barboza, Acuña (Juventus), Copeland, McKenna, Muscat (George Cross), Gronowski (Polonia), Kourkoulakos, Papadopoulos, Karpousis (Hellas), Beci (Melbourne), Slivar, Rau (Croat), Vluegas, Van Altena, Matthyse (Wilhelmina), Adams, Villers, Alexander (Hakoah).



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